

university is among a prestigious group of schools to produce a Rhodes Scholar, a Truman Scholar, and a Goldwater Scholar in the same academic year.

Among MU's other achievements is their extensive study abroad program. In fact, the university has its own campus in Luxembourg, and 35 percent of Miami students study abroad before they graduate. Students graduate MU ready to solve global problems with the knowledge acquired during their time at Miami University.

Miami University's alumni have a history of service to the United States, including Benjamin Harrison, former U.S. President; many Members of Congress; as well as several governors, generals, and ministers to foreign governments. Additionally, MU is ranked seventh on the Peace Corps' Top 25 list for medium-sized schools, with 39 alumni currently serving as volunteers.

Congratulations are also in order for the university's unparalleled number of nationally prominent collegiate and professional coaches the school has produced. The extraordinary number of successful coaches who got their start at MU has earned the university the nickname "Cradle of Coaches." Furthermore, Miami boasts a distinguished list of professional and Olympic athletes.

This year, as the university community celebrates its 200th anniversary, Miami will reflect on two centuries of achievement and look ahead to many more years of learning, service, and athletic prowess.

Mr. Speaker, once again I express my support for Miami University, and I thank the minority leader for bringing this resolution to the floor. I encourage my colleagues to support this bill.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. MCCLINTOCK. I yield such time as he may consume to my colleague, a distinguished alumnus of Miami University of Ohio, the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. RYAN).

Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin. I appreciate the gentleman for yielding, and you're wondering why a guy from Wisconsin is here to talk about Miami of Ohio—because this guy from Wisconsin is a graduate of Miami of Ohio. I graduated from Miami of Ohio in 1992.

I'd say one of the reasons why I am here, standing and talking in the well of the House of Representatives, is because of the lessons that I learned at Miami of Ohio. The things that shaped me there, the economics degree, the political science degree. In fact, one of my early involvements in politics was working as a college Republican, working door-to-door for a new person running for Congress by the name of JOHN BOEHNER. I have learned how to since pronounce that name BOEHNER. Back then, we didn't know how to pronounce it. But I did doors in Trenton, Ohio, on behalf of our now esteemed minority leader.

But, more to the point, Mr. Speaker, this is the bicentennial of Miami of

Ohio. Two-hundred years of history. Founded in 1809. It's a school with such a rich history and proud tradition of top academic and athletic achievement. The "Cradle of Coaches."

It's consistently ranked as one of the best schools in the country. It's a public university, referred to as one of the "public Ivys," ranking in the tops in business schools, arts and sciences, and architecture, and all other rounds of academic nature.

One of the great things about Miami is its beauty, its aesthetics. It's one of the most beautiful campuses in America. I think the poet Robert Frost called Miami of Ohio the most pleasant-looking campus there is.

Miami of Ohio has such a rich tradition. It has produced so many great, faithful servants here in the Capitol, in public, in private institutions. It's a real honor and privilege for me to be able to be here to be a part of this resolution, to be a cosponsor of it, and to honor this fantastic tradition. And I know that Miami's best days are yet ahead.

Ms. FUDGE. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. MCCLINTOCK. I yield such time as he may consume to my distinguished minority leader, the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. BOEHNER).

Mr. BOEHNER. I want to thank the Speaker and thank my colleagues who are here today to congratulate Miami University on their 200th anniversary. I have nine Miami grads that work for me on my staff. Clearly, you heard from Mr. RYAN, and Mr. DRIEHAUS, you will hear from soon, who are esteemed graduates of Miami of Ohio, as is Senator MARIA CANTWELL.

There will be a lot of nice things said about Miami, but it truly is quite an accomplishment for this university to have had such a successful run over the last 200 years. Miami of Ohio is in my district. It's probably the most difficult place to get to in my district. And I can only imagine how difficult it was in the early 1800s to find Oxford, Ohio.

But it is one of the most beautiful campuses in the country. They have a great record of achievement, and their graduates have gone on to do great things in all fields of endeavor.

And so I am proud to have Miami of Ohio in my district, and I am proud of my colleagues here who are Miami grads, and proud of my staff, who came from such an esteemed university.

Ms. FUDGE. Mr. Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. DRIEHAUS).

Mr. DRIEHAUS. I'm proud today to join with the minority leader and my distinguished friends and colleagues to pay tribute to one of our finest universities, and a source of pride for all Ohioans. For two centuries, Miami has stood as a hallmark of what public higher education should be in this country.

Miami University boasts excellence in a wide range of programs; a faculty

amongst the best in the Nation; facilities and resources that allow Miami's academic community to realize its full potential; and an unparalleled commitment to student success. But Miami's achievement and legacy reach far beyond the confines of its classrooms.

Miami University was a product of the Northwest Ordinance. As Ohio's founders settled the lands west of the Appalachians, Miami stood as a beacon of learning in the untamed corners of a young Nation.

The many government leaders, artists, and scholars among Miami University's alumni have carried the school's message and tradition of excellence across the United States, and around the world. Their contributions to a range of disciplines and professions have left a lasting imprint on our laws and culture.

In the Freedom Summer of 1964, civil rights activists trained at Western College for Women, Miami's western campus. These young heroes brought their message of freedom and equality from Oxford, Ohio to Meridian, Mississippi. Three of them sacrificed their lives because they would not give up their commitment to the struggle against injustice and bigotry.

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Their legacies and the achievements of so many others are part of Miami University's story and have become woven into the fabric of our Nation's history.

For me, Miami University holds a personal significance. I count myself, my wife Lucienne, and four of my siblings among Miami's proud alumni. Miami fostered my commitment to service, leading me to become one of the 809 Miami alumni to join the Peace Corps and to pursue a career working on behalf of my fellow citizens. Miami University opened doors of opportunity for me, as it has for thousands of others.

I add my voice to the many others congratulating Miami University on 200 years of distinguished service, and I wish the university an equally successful future.

Mr. MCCLINTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the distinguished gentleman from Michigan (Mr. EHLERS) for such time as he may consume.

Mr. EHLERS. I thank the gentleman for yielding. And I suspect most of you are surprised to see me rise to join in the accolades for Miami University, because most of you know that I come from Grand Rapids, Michigan, where I taught at Calvin College, and before that was at the University of California at Berkeley where I got my doctorate and taught for 6 years. But yet I have a history in Ohio as a well.

I spent my high school years living in Willard, Ohio, and I recall hearing numerous references to Miami University. I was urged to consider attending Miami University because it was such an outstanding school, and that has been engraved on my mind. As I got